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A Plea for the "Missionary Journal."

BY MRS. REV. M. V. STUPPLEBEEN.

Were our dear *Missionary Journal* arraigned before some human court of justice, and the question of its life or death at stake, it would not need its thousands of friends to unite in an enthusiastic plea for its life. It would be abundantly able to become its own attorney, and fully competent to plead its own cause. But the most eloquent appeals of any attorney would have no weight with people who never read them, or who held pre-established prejudices against them. Neither can the *Missionary Journal* convey any idea of its own merits, nor of the worthiness of the cause which it represents, to persons who never read it, or are prejudiced against it.

We offer no plea in favor of its excellence, it speaks for itself. But we plead for its wider circulation among our Lutheran people. All enterprises of moral and social reform are advanced just in proportion as the principles, motives and objects involved are intelligently understood. So the people at large need to be educated and instructed in all branches of Church work, before we can expect a uniform and liberal response to the Church's call for help.

Mission work is advanced somewhat as railroads are built. The valleys of human ignorance must be filled up, and the mountains of human prejudice and unbelief must be brought down. When once the Church's position and its needs, with reference to the missionary field are understood intelligently by the people at large in our Lutheran Zion, the requisite means to do the work will not be wanting. We work better, and more effectively when light floods our pathway, than when surrounded by darkness. The *Journal*, for which we plead is the candle which lights up our Lutheran Missionary Field, so that we may see what the Church is doing, and may know what results attend her efforts. The *Journal*, as an educator, and a light-giver, ought to be in every Lutheran home throughout our Synod. It is the mediator between the Church and the mission field, and all should give attention to its pleading voice. We believe it to be particularly the duty of pastors to make a personal effort to obtain for the *Journal* a place and an influence in their congregations.

The *Journal* is the foster mother of the Woman's Missionary Society. Without the help and instruction it imparts a society could scarcely live.

We plead, therefore, for a larger circulation for the *Journal*. We congratulate the Lutheran Church on its representative.

☪ The :- Home ☪

Always leave home with kind, affectionate words, for they may be the last.

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There is a great difference between a mere house and a home. Multitudes may not own the former, but all may possess the latter.

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Do not forget or neglect prayer in the home; it is the key to unlock the day and the bolt to shut in the night. This is the "open sesame" to highest prosperity and surest safety.

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For Husbands.

Perhaps some wives would like to cut out the following and paste it in their husbands' hats:

Always come home good tempered, leaving business cares behind, and do not vent annoyance met with at your office on your wife and family.

Make yourself agreeable to your wife and friends, and do not sit glum all the evening, looking utterly bored.

Be lenient to your wife's faults and do not expect perfection until you have first become perfect yourself.

Be punctual at meals. Remember a cook cannot keep a dinner waiting without its being spoiled. Do not expect each ser-

vant to have two pairs of hands.

Do not expect your wife to keep accounts, unless you take the trouble to keep your own correctly.

Dress as well and as neatly as your means will allow, and be careful not to get your best trousers wet, as baggy knees are a thing no woman can respect.

Be as kind and attentive to your wife as you were before your marriage, and remember she has got no pipe to go to for comfort.

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Marriage is a Failure

When either of the parties marries for money.

When the "lord of creation" pays more for cigars than his better half does for hosiery, boots and bonnets.

When one of the parties engages in a business that is not approved by the other.

When both parties persist in arguing over a subject upon which they never have and never can think alike.

When neither husband nor wife take a vacation.

When the vacations are taken by one side of the house only.

When a man attempts to tell his wife what style of bonnet she must wear.

When a man's Christmas presents to his wife consist of boot-jacks, shirts and gloves for himself.

Our Youth

A Marked Boy.

Years ago there lived in the interior of New York a boy, the son of a farmer, who also worked at the trade of a potter. The boy was a marked youth, because he did with might whatever he undertook. He was a leader in the ordinary sports of boyhood; and, whenever the farm or the pottery relaxed their hold upon him, he would be found repairing some damaged article or devising a new implement.

His father was poor, the farm was small, and could only be enlarged by clearing up the primeval forest. The boy was anxious to acquire knowledge, but his services were so necessary to his father that he could not be spared to attend the winter term of the common school. But the boy was in earnest. With the aid of his brother, one year his junior, he chopped and cleared four acres of birch and maple woodland, plowed it, planted it with corn, harvested the corn and then asked, as his compensation, to be allowed to attend school during winter. Of course the father granted the wish.

When the boy was seventeen the father's pottery business had so increased as to demand a more extensive factory. A carpenter was hired to build the new building, and the boy assisted him.

So familiar did he become with the tools and trade that he determined, with the aid of the younger brother, to erect a two-story frame dwelling-house for his father's family.

The two boys cut the timber from the forest, planned and framed the structure, and then invited the neighbors to assist at the "raising." They came from far and near to see what a lad of seventeen had done. When every mortise and tenon was found to fit in its place, and the frame was seen to stand perfect and secure, the veterans cheered the young architect and builder. From that day he was in demand as a master-carpenter.

That boy was Ezra Cornell, the founder of Cornell University.—*Evangelical Messenger*.



Power of Good Example.

A boy went home from a ragged school with his face washed clean. His mother hardly knew him, but his looks pleased her, and she washed herself. The father, pleased with the better looks of his wife and son, did the same. So this cleaning up spread through the family and neighborhood, until the dark and dismal alley, so long the abode of dirt and filth, became an amusing and instructive instance of what often follows from our disposition to copy the good we see in others. Let us set the example.

Young People's Alliance Notes.

Many thanks to the Y. P. A. Committee for the beautiful pulpit decorations.

Miss Ida Lavo is Vice President of the Alliance, instead of Miss Laura Hill, as the types made it appear last month.

A social will be held by the Alliance on this Friday evening, Nov. 29th, at the house of G. W. Gilmore. Music and refreshments will be provided. All are cordially invited.

By some mistake, Committee No. 10 was omitted from the list in the November issue.

K. SUNDAY SCHOOL.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to endeavor to bring into the Sunday School those who do not attend elsewhere, and to co-operate with the Superintendent and officers of the school in any ways which they may suggest for advancing the interests of the Sunday School.

The Committees for the present six months' term are:

PRAYER MEETING.—George Rickart, Clara M. Wolf, Annie Crooks, Willie Hawkins.

SOCIAL.—Laura Hill, Annie Rickart, N. M. Achenbach, Ida Lavo, Lulu Hall.

LOOK-OUT.—Jessie Robinson, Maggie Lavo, Mäxie Gilmore.

MUSIC.—Annie Rickart, Laura Hill, Clara M. Wolf.

FLOWER.—Lizzie Lavo, Berlie Crisman, Harry Flick, Horace Shale, Sylvester Brooks.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.—Jessie Robinson, Annie Crooks, Charlie McIntosh, Horace Shale.

Topics and Leaders for Tuesdays During December.

Dec. 3rd, "The Christian's Riches," Rom. xi:25-36. Leader, Miss Minnie Gilmore.

Dec. 10th, "Fellow-workers in Christ," Rom. xvi:1-27. Leader, Miss Clara M. Wolf.

Dec. 17th, "Our Glory," 1 Cor. iv:1-13. Leader, N. M. Achenbach.

Dec. 24th, "Christian Duties," Luke, 2:8-20. Leader, Miss Laura Hill.

Dec. 31st, "Laying aside every Weight," Heb. xii:1-4. Leader, George B. Rickart.

Our catechetical class lectures will be given this year on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. All whose names are registered, and who attend every lecture up to Easter, will receive \$ present from the pastor. All can attend the exercises, of whatever age, but no names of those under ten years will be placed on the class record. We can supply catechisms at 20 cents each. If there are any who wish to attend who are not able to purchase a book, please mention it to the pastor and he will furnish them gratuitous.

Let it be remembered that the sexton has power delegated to him to restrain and report any disorderly conduct that he may discover about the church building Sunday or any other day.

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and needs of our work as may inspire to present
duty and interest in the future needs of the congrega-
tion.

Donations thankfully received toward the ex-
penses of the MISSIONARY.

AT HOME.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS
TO ALL.

—The last number of MES-
SIAH'S MISSIONARY for 1889.

—Do not neglect to read the
"Notes" pertaining to the Young
People's Alliance.

—Those wishing back num-
bers of this journal can be sup-
plied at 5 cents each.

—Again our bridge gone. How
long, oh, how long, is this flood
business to continue.

—Brother I. H. McGann made
a very excellent impression upon
our people, during the few even-
ings he occupied our pulpit.

—Nov. 23, we aided in the
burial of Michael McDonough.
He had reached the extraordi-
nary age of 100 years and three
months.

—The following amounts have
been received into the building

fund since the November issue :
Sarab J. Weigel, \$10, Dr. Det-
weiler, \$10; Franckean Synod,
N. Y., \$24.50; T. R. Smith, (per
coal), \$13.80.

—We regret the want of space
for the whole of Mrs. Rev. M. V.
Stuplebin's article on the *Mis-
sionary Journal*, an abstract of
which is printed on page 2. The
article was written for synodical
purposes some time ago, and was
afterwards printed in that jour-
nal.

—We shall be pleased to fur-
nish our Lutheran Year Book to
every family in our membership.
It contains a great deal of infor-
mation that we all should know
concerning our Church and its
operations. If space would allow,
we should be happy to note the
"Table of Contents," but will
only add, you cannot have a
more serviceable book of refer-
ence, and all for a dime.

—We hope all those who ap-
preciate the monthly visits of
the MISSIONARY, will show us
their appreciation, by a volun-
tary offering toward its expenses.
We present no bills to any one,
but simply ask you to donate as
you may be able and inclined.
And if we fail to give the proper
credit, let us know, and it will be
corrected. We are very grateful
to those who have contributed.
The second year has been harder
on us than the first year, because
the summer's flood cut off some
of our advertising revenue

—Hymnals at publisher's prices, for sale by the pastor; with the music, \$1.40; words only 80 cents. Would be glad to furnish everyone with a copy gratis, if possible; but as we cannot, we urge those who are not supplied already, to purchase a book of worship at the first possible convenience and then take a more active part in the public services.

—The readers of the *MISSIONARY* will notice the "ad" of the new coal firm of the South Side on our first page of advertising, viz: the Achenbach Brothers. They have rented the double and valuable industry of T. R. Smith, the coal yard and chopping mill, and are already well initiated in the business. Surely everyone who is interested in the prosperity of the South Side will be glad to see these young men succeed. And as they handle the very best grades of coal, and are most obliging and prompt in all their business engagements, we bespeak for them a liberal share of the public patronage.

Wednesday Evening Services for December.

The following are the subjects that we have selected for the Wednesday evening services during December. And we make the special request that all attend who possibly can, for these meetings are very interesting and profitable. We also request that those attending, at each meeting,

bring a scripture passage written out plainly on a piece of paper and applying to the subject announced for the meeting the following week. At the close of the meeting these will be gathered up and re-distributed; and we ask those receiving them, to take them along home and during the week gather some interesting thought upon them, to be given for the benefit of others at the next meeting. Since adopting this custom, we have been greatly rejoiced in hearing many new voices in our prayer meetings. And the services have been made more interesting and edifying thereby too. Remember the hour, 7:45 p. m. Subjects:

- Dec. 4, "Cause for Rejoicing," Prov. 29:22.
 " 11, "The King's Business," 1 Sam. 21:8.
 " 18, "Distrusting Jesus," John 2:24-28.
 " 25, "The Gladstone Event," Matt. 2:11.

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Mrs. C. B. Shale, " "	25

—The funeral of John Shlipner occurred Nov. 25th. The services were held at the late residence. The occasion was an unusually solemn one, as the deceased was killed under the cars.

—Who will be the next to hand in a name for the chart of "Memorial Sitzings?" A few lacking yet.

Sunday School.

Lesson Study.

The Superintendent recently had occasion to remark before the school that when endeavoring to secure persons attending the Sunday School, to take the place of absent teachers, he was usually met with the excuse, "I have not studied the lesson." Every one attending this service, should go hooked up on the lesson, thus prepared to take part either in teaching or reciting. The school becomes interesting and profitable, only as there is familiarity with the lessons.

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The Pastor's Class.

We would call the attention of those not attending the Sunday School, there is still room in our class. A most cordial invitation is hereby extended to all such to come and meet with us. True, this is just the season of the year when 9:30 a. m. seems to come the earliest, and yet with a very little of the same effort that we make on other mornings of the week, we all can easily reach it. The exercises are always interesting.

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Christmas.

Again we are nearing that holiday, perhaps the happiest in the entire Church year—Christmas.

According with our usual custom, we hope to celebrate it in the School in some befitting, interesting way. The Superintendent, with an associate committee, are at work devising a program for the occasion. That this program may be creditable to the school and entertaining to others who may come to share it with us, a great deal of effort in the way of drill and rehearsal is necessary. Whenever the Superintendent calls a meeting for practice, let everyone, to have a part in the program, make it their business to be present.

"JUST WHAT I WANTED."



Full text of all the International Lessons for the year—the Scripture only. Revision changes in foot notes. Golden Verses, Memory Verses, Map. 64 pages, 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 inches; fits vest pocket. Round corners; wire sewed, (cloth editions have red edges. Three popular styles: Tough Card cover (bright colors), 5 cents; Cloth cover, 10 cents; Cloth (laminated for notes), 15 cents. For sale by the Pastor or Superintendent.

✦ Temperance ✦

To use leisure for carousing, to fire the blood with alcohol, to dwarf and waste men's substance in the close and fetid air of a bar room, is not recreation; it is physical damnation.—*Chicago Times*.



Where is the Boy?

WANTED—A BOY—A brave, courageous, manly, hopeful boy; one who is not afraid of the truth; one who scorns a lie; one who hates deceit; one who loves his mother; one who does not know more than his parents; one who has the courage to say No and to stick to it; one who is willing to begin at the bottom of the ladder and work upwards; one who thinks it would be manly to smoke; one who thinks an education is worth striving for; one who is willing to obey his superiors; one who knows his home is better than the street; one who doesn't believe the marvelous tales told in the story papers and will not read the vile stuff; one who won't cheat in a fair game; one who won't be a sneak and do a mean act when unseen; one who won't spend every penny he earns or gets; one who thinks he should respect himself and keep himself in decent appearance; one who won't attack an old man because he is feeble and defenseless; one who won't torture dumb animals; one who won't steal; one who won't swear; one who won't listen to or repeat nasty stories; one who won't revile and jeer a drunken person on the street; one who won't do a dirty act for another boy who is too cowardly to do his meanness; one who loves to do right because it is right. Wanted—a boy, a whole-souled, earnest, honorable, square boy. Where can he be found? Does he live in your neighborhood? Do you know him?—*American Traveler*.

WANTED—Five hundred thousand boys, as above described, to keep alive the liquor traffic, legalized by the voters of this country through their political parties. We guarantee to transform them into loafers, tramps and bummers; we'll make of them inhuman husbands and fathers and finally land them in

either the poor house, insane asylum or State penitentiary.
(Signed,)

200,000 SALOON KEEPERS.



A Massachusetts manufacturer is alleged to have paid one Saturday to his army of laborers 700 bright, crisp \$10 bills. Each man received one with his pay. All were marked so as to be recognized. By Tuesday 410 of these bills had been deposited in the banks of the city by the bar-keepers.



Fortune knocks once at every man's door; but she don't go hunting through beer saloons for him if the man happens to be out.—*Puck*.



Liquor men have dollars at stake; Christian men have sons at stake. Which are the more valuable?

Companion Pictures.

Another handsome reminder of the continued enterprise of THE YOUTH'S COMPASSION, the favorite family paper, has come to us in the form of a colored announcement card, printed in fourteen colors. It is folded in the centre, and has on either cover companion pictures.

Spring is represented by a beautiful woman who is returning through the fields, her hands filled with trailing arbutus—that delicate spring flower which grows so plentifully in many localities. On the companion page, the farmer's daughter is pictured coming through the harvested grain, carrying a well-filled pail and basket. The banner of the new-day lunch is a welcome sight to the hungry reapers. The interior of the card contains an array of authors and artists—their work volume unsurpassed by any paper.

This beautiful Card is only an indication of the great enterprise of THE COMPASSION which has made it a National Family Paper, with more than 400,000 subscribers. Nowhere can there be obtained so much entertainment and instruction for so little money (only \$1.25 a year).

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Let's Laugh a Little.

"I heard you were fishing yesterday," said one traveling man to another.

"Yes."

"Have any luck?"

"Yes, some; I didn't get drowned."

Teacher—Where do good little boys go when they die?

Johnny—They go to heaven.

Teacher—And where will I go.

Johnny—I don't want to tell.
—*Epoch*.

A class in natural history being asked the difference between a dog and a tree, the head boy answered, "A tree is covered with bark, while a dog seems to be lined with it."

Mr. More wrote to a girl asking her to marry him. She declined, and closed her note with, "No more at present."

"I hope, my little daughter," I said one morning, "that you will be able to control your little temper to-day."

"Yes, mamma; and I hope you will be able to control your big temper."

A Michigan girl told her young man that she would never marry him until he was worth ten thousand dollars. So he started out with a brave heart to make it. "How are you getting on, George?" she asked at the expiration of a couple of months. "Well," George said, hopefully, "I have saved twenty-two dol-

lars." The girl dropped her eyelashes and blushing remarked: "I reckon that's near enough, George."

Jones—Smith, you are the laziest man I ever saw.

Smith—Correct.

Jones—They say you sleep fifteen out of every twenty-four hours.

Smith—Correct.

Jones—What do you do it for?

Smith—In order to economize. You see, it costs you nothing to sleep, but the moment you wake up expenses begin.

An advertisement extolling the virtues of a new make of infant's feeding-bottle, winds up as follows: "When the baby has done drinking, it must be unscrewed and laid in a cold place, say under a tap."

"What do they do when they install a minister?" inquired a small boy. "Do they put him in a stall, and feed him?" "Not a bit," said his father, "they harness him to the church, and expect him to draw it alone."

If Christian people would, instead of criticising, pray more for their pastors in the home there would be less vacant pulpits

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS

Don't fail to send twenty cents to BOYS AND GIRLS, Springfield, Ohio, for the Grand Christmas and New Years numbers of that beautiful, illustrated home magazine. Each number contains 16 of adventure, scientific and historical stories, puzzles, fun, games and other interesting matter. A year's subscription would make a splendid Christmas present for a young friend. Regular price, one dollar. New subscribers, until December 25th, only fifty cents. This will include Christmas and New Years numbers. Do not delay; send immediately.

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